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TITLE JANE FOSTER ZLATOVSKI, was; GEORGE MICHAEL ZLATOVSKI, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Results of interviews with acquaintances of subjects set out. U. S. Army Engineers records and CSC records, Washington, D. C., contain no record of **GEORGE ZLATOVSKI's** applications for employment with Army Engineers in 1948, 1950, or 1951. [U. S. Army records contain plans for the seizure of Crete dated 5/7/43, and plans developed in 1943 for the invasion of Southern France and for other operations in the Mediterranean. Board of Economic Warfare records located at Record Service Center, Department of State, contain numerous documents dating from March to December, 1943, indicating that BEW prepared reports concerning economic problems likely to be met upon the occupation of Crete, Southern France and Sicily. Interviews in effort to further identify Soviets **G. BORSOV**, **N. SMOLINE**, and **N. FEDEROV**, thought by **JANE ZLATOVSKI** to resemble her contacts in Vienna, Austria, in 1947 and in Zurich, Switzerland, in 1951, were unsuccessful. Interviews in D. C. failed to confirm **JANE** and **GEORGE ZLATOVSKI's** membership in the CP.

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CHILD further reported JANE FOSTER was not married at that time. OSS personnel resided at the "Queen" Hotel. It is his impression that the female employees of OSS shared rooms at this hotel but could not recall JANE FOSTER's roommate. According to CHILD, he saw FOSTER everyday, eating in the same dining room and during social gatherings of OSS personnel. This association continued for approximately one year and terminated around Christmas, 1945, upon CHILD's departure to Chungking, China, to be with Lieutenant General ALBERT C. WEDEMAYER. (S)(C)

CHILD declared he could not recall any of FOSTER's close associates at Kandy, Ceylon. She worked under CORA DUBOIS who headed the Research and Analysis Section and DUBOIS possibly saw a good deal of her. CHILD's wife, nee JULIA MC WILLIAMS, was also with OSS at Kandy. (S)(C)

CHILD went on to state the next time he saw JANE FOSTER was during the Spring or Summer of 1946 in the Georgetown area of Washington, D. C. CHILD was with several individuals, the names he could not recall, and accidentally met FOSTER on the street. They subsequently entered a nearby bar where they exchanged pleasantries and reminisced about former employees of OSS. JANE FOSTER was alone and was kidded about her future husband's name, GEORGE ZLATOVSKI, whose name it was difficult for her to remember. CHILD advised they possibly conversed about fellow OSS employees who were mutual friends in Ceylon. He could not recall the names of these individuals or whether JANE FOSTER was particularly interested in any one of them or their employment at that time. According to CHILD, the discussion of mutual friends was not unique in that it is the custom of former OSS employees to discuss former associates. This meeting was very brief and he did not see JANE FOSTER again in the United States. (S)(C)

Continuing, CHILD recollected he next met JANE FOSTER in Paris, France, during 1951 or 1952 while he was employed as an Attache at the American Embassy there. While he and his wife were strolling down a Paris street, they noted a poster in the window of an art shop with JANE FOSTER's name on it. They learned from the proprietor that JANE FOSTER resided on Rue Mazarin and when they called on her, JANE FOSTER was not at home. The CHILDs left a note at this address to the effect if JANE FOSTER is the one they knew (S)(C)

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at Kandy, Ceylon, they would be interested in seeing her. The CHILDS left their telephone number and address and JANE FOSTER subsequently telephoned the CHILDS and made arrangements to meet them. During the ensuing meeting, they met JANE's husband, GEORGE ZLATOVSKI, for the first time. According to CHILD, they conversed principally about mutual friends in Ceylon. (S)(X)

CHILD went on to state that he and his wife associated with the ZLATOVSKIs socially until CHILD was transferred to Marseille, France, in April, 1953. They met every two or three months. CHILD admired JANE's art work and no discussions were had of a political nature. CHILD informed he does not know the names of any of the ZLATOVSKIs associates in Paris, France, or did he know anything concerning their activities. He could furnish no information concerning the personal history of JANE FOSTER or GEORGE ZLATOVSKI. (S)(X)

CHILD asserted that JANE FOSTER had a commission with the French Government to furnish the designs of a tapestry. This was on the order of a sideline for JANE FOSTER in that she was principally interested in art work and paintings. GEORGE ZLATOVSKI was employed by UNESCO, preparing an English-French-German dictionary of engineering terms. (S)(X)

The ZLATOVSKIs owned a small fourth floor apartment and in no way could it be considered ostentatious. There was no indication that the ZLATOVSKIs were living beyond their visible means of support. (S)(X)

CHILD further related he and his wife visited the ZLATOVSKIs for several hours during November, 1954, when CHILD was en route to Bonn, Germany, for the State Department. This meeting was principally social in character. (S)(X)

CHILD declared he last saw the ZLATOVSKIs approximately one and one half years ago in Paris, France. CHILD and his wife accidentally met them at the Deux Magots (Two Magots), a restaurant frequented by the ZLATOVSKIs. JANE FOSTER related her passport difficulty to them and gave them the impression that she was being persecuted by the United States Government. (S)(X)

CHILD reported that he had no reason to believe the ZLATOVSКИs were engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States Government and would be amazed if such were true. The ZLATOVSКИs have not discussed political matters with him and they have made no statements indicating they were sympathetic to the aims and purposes of the Soviet Union. (S)(u)

According to CHILD, JANE FOSTER always impressed him as a person having "warmth." He stated she appears to act on the basis of instinct or intuition and does not think things out prior to acting. He described her as sympathetic to people and explained this by saying if JANE FOSTER had two dinner appointments, one with a wealthy person and one with a person not so well off, she would select the latter for her company. She is principally a painter and interested in the work of art. (S)(u)

CHILD stated that at no time during his association with the ZLATOVSКИs did they attempt to elicit intelligence information from him. The ZLATOVSКИs never inquired about the names of individuals employed by the American Embassy in Paris, France, or to the duties of individuals assigned to said Embassys. (S)(u)

According to CHILD, he does not recall being in correspondence with JANE FOSTER other than exchanging Valentines. (S)(u)

Pertinent photographs were exhibited to CHILD and he could only identify the photographs of JANE and GEORGE ZLATOVSKI.

MRS. JULIA CHILD

Mrs. PAUL CHILD, nee JULIA MC WILLIAMS, was interviewed at her residence, 2706 Olive Street, N. W., on February 14, 1957, by SA WILLIAM L. DESONIA. (S)(u)

Mrs. CHILD stated she was employed by OSS during World War II at Kandy, Ceylon, and first met JANE FOSTER when FOSTER arrived at Kandy in July, 1944, as an OSS employee. Mrs. CHILD's association in OSS with FOSTER continued until February, 1945, when Mrs. CHILD was transferred to China. She also met JANE FOSTER on one occasion at Calcutta, India, where JANE was either visiting or on an assignment. (S)(u)

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According to Mrs. CHILD, she had considerable contact with FOSTER at Kandy due to their employment and residence at the Queen Hotel where OSS personnel were billeted. She could not recall whether JANE FOSTER resided alone or shared a room with a co-worker. (S)(C)

Mrs. CHILD related she had learned through OSS employees, names of whom she could not recall, that FOSTER had been married to a Hollander and had been interested in the people of the Dutch East Indies. JANE FOSTER was employed in a unit whose functions were to formulate propaganda to which peoples of the Dutch East Indies would be susceptible. Mrs. CHILD added that during the course of this employment, FOSTER became associated with Indonesian communists whose purpose was to dispose of Dutch rule in that area. JANE FOSTER favored the independence of Indonesia and for that reason was declared persona non grata by the Dutch Government. Mrs. CHILD could not further elaborate on the above. (S)(C)

Mrs. CHILD furnished substantially the same information as her husband concerning their association with the subjects in Paris, France. She mentioned, however, her husband having been interviewed by the FBI regarding JANE FOSTER, and stated he was in error on one point. Actually according to Mrs. CHILD, they did not meet JANE FOSTER at the Cafe Deux Magots in Paris, but only JANE's husband, GEORGE. GEORGE told the CHILDS that JANE had traveled to America to visit her mother who was ill. When JANE applied for a new passport, she experienced difficulty in securing one. GEORGE ZLATOVSKI was very bitter over the action of the United States Government and attributed his wife's difficulties to his being born in Russia. Mrs. CHILD further believed GEORGE ZLATOVSKI told them he had served in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade with the Loyalist forces in Spain and this was an additional item being held against his wife. (S)(C)

According to Mrs. CHILD, they directed a noncommittal letter to JANE FOSTER offering her assistance as a result of their conversation with GEORGE. JANE FOSTER, in her reply, reported her difficulties in securing a passport and was very bitter about the whole matter. Mrs. CHILD further recollected that GEORGE ZLATOVSKI told them he planned to give up his American citizenship and become a citizen of France. GEORGE (S)(C)

ZLATOVSKI further stated he was born in Russia and was afraid to return to the United States because the United States might deport him to Russia. (S)

Mrs. CHILD recalled GEORGE ZLATOVSKI was employed writing a dictionary of scientific terms for UNESCO. He was also employed by an American firm but could not recall the name of it or in what business it was engaged. GEORGE ZLATOVSKI mentioned one time that he had been employed by a French firm which had one branch which became embroiled in difficulties with the French Government. This particular branch handled munitions shipments and it was determined that munitions of this firm were found in the hands of Algerian Rebel forces in North Africa. Mrs. CHILD could furnish no additional information concerning GEORGE ZLATOVSKI's employment. (S)

According to Mrs. CHILD, the ZLATOVSKIs resided in a small apartment on Rue Mazarin and they did not appear to live beyond their visible means of support. The apartment was furnished in a simple manner through the artistic ability of JANE FOSTER. It is Mrs. CHILD's impression that the ZLATOVSKIs received financial assistance from JANE's parents who are fairly well off financially and reside in California. The ZLATOVSKIs had accompanied JANE's parents on several sight-seeing trips and tours in France where they stayed at good hotels. (S)

In Mrs. CHILD's opinion, JANE FOSTER is a person with no political beliefs, principally being interested in art. She appears to dominate her husband. (S)

Mrs. CHILD declared she had never engaged the ZLATOVSKIs in political discussion and she has no reason to believe they are sympathetic to communism. She knows of no organizations of which the ZLATOVSKIs are members but stated that JANE is definitely a "joiner type" and would join anything if the purpose of the organization was to assist people who were less fortunate. (S)

Mrs. CHILD further recollected she did see JANE FOSTER in December, 1945, in Washington, D. C. Her husband had accidentally met JANE in the Georgetown area in Washington, D. C., and JANE briefly visited the CHILDS at the residence of CHARLES CHILD, the brother of her husband. She (S)

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could recall no information of a pertinent nature during this meeting. Her brother-in-law was not acquainted with JANE FOSTER. (S)(u)

Continuing, Mrs. CHILD declared that the ZLATOVSКИs made no inquiries concerning PAUL CHILD's employment with the American Embassy in Paris. They did not appear to be interested in any of the employees of the American Embassy or the duties of the Embassy personnel. Mrs. CHILD stated that during their entire association with the ZLATOVSКИs, nothing occurred to arouse their suspicions that the ZLATOVSКИs could be engaged in subversive activities. (S)(u)

Mrs. CHILD indicated her husband returned to the United States approximately two years ago and was queried by the State Department concerning his association with JANE FOSTER and many searching questions were directed to him. Since that time, the CHILDs have been alert for any information which would indicate the ZLATOVSКИs were engaged in activities inimical to the best interest of the United States Government, but no such information has come to their attention. (S)(u)

Mrs. CHILD was exhibited pertinent photographs and could only identify photographs of JANE and GEORGE ZLATOVSKI.